



Gatestone Elementary School

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Gatestone - Technology Policy

The technology allowed for classroom use is intended to enhance and enrich student learning. With teacher permission, students may use Gatestone technology devices and personal devices for educational purposes only during instructional time.

The following statements outline the 'Student Technology Use Policy' for students at Gatestone Elementary School:

- 1) When using technology at school students must adhere to the HWDSB Code of Conduct at all times.
- 2) Students may not use technology for non-academic purposes (i.e. texting, email, gaming, social networks, etc.) when given permission to use technology during instructional time. Students agree to use technology appropriately and respectfully when given permission to use in class.
- 3) Students may use technology during Nutrition Breaks. Technology use must be appropriate to the school environment (i.e. no inappropriate language, images, and/or videos, no taking pictures/photos of other students) and must not be disruptive to others (i.e. headphones must be used for music and/or other sound).
- 4) Gatestone Elementary School and its staff are not responsible for any loss, damage, or theft of technology brought into the classroom from home; students use the technology knowing the risks that accompany such use.
- 5) The use of technology is up to the individual teacher's discretion at all times.
- 6) Communication with home should occur through the main office. We ask parents/guardians do not text message or phone their child during instructional times. Parents/Guardians should connect with our main office if a message needs to be delivered to your child.

A signature on this policy indicates that the policy has been read and that the individuals below agree to abide by the guidelines.

We, the undersigned, agree to the above terms for the use of any technology at Gatestone Elementary.

Student: _____ Date: _____

Parent/Guardian _____ Date: _____